



**Brewster School Committee**

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

*Chair Katie Jacobus, Vice Chair Casey Mecca*

*Carol Jelinek, Judi Lech, Sarah Sherman*

## **Mission Statement**

Nauset Public Schools prepares each student to succeed in an ever-changing world by providing a rigorous academic program that integrates social-emotional learning and global awareness.

## **Core Values**

*Nauset believes that education should inspire a passion for learning and that*

**Every Child Matters**

**Every Child is Unique**

**Every Child Deserves to Feel Safe**

## **Role of the School Committee**

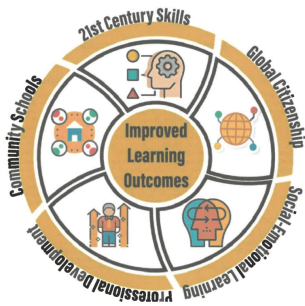
*Each Member is Elected to a Three Year Term*

### **Main Responsibilities Include:**

- Advocating for the Schools & Students
- Hiring & Evaluating of District Superintendent  
(in Conjunction With Other Nauset School Committees)
- Setting District Policies
- Reviewing, Accepting, & Overseeing Annual School Budgets

# Nauset School District Strategic Plan

*Developed by Parents, Teachers, School Staff, & School Committee Members*



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## **GOAL 1 - 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills**

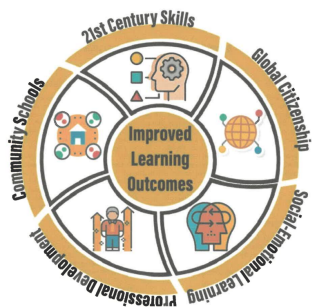
*Enable students to practice and apply 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills throughout the PK-12 curriculum to acquire deeper learning and be prepared for our ever-changing world.*

## **GOAL 2 - Global Citizenship**

*Develop the cognitive, interpersonal, and intrapersonal competencies fundamental to global citizenship and cultural proficiency as well as the ecological understanding and skills needed to sustain our environment.*

## **GOAL 3 - Social-Emotional Learning**

*Facilitate students' and adults' development of the skills needed to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions.*



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### **GOAL 4 - Professional Development**

*Provide ongoing professional development that supports the Strategic Plan by expanding teachers' application of interdisciplinary, authentic, research-based, and innovative teaching strategies.*

### **GOAL 5 - Community Schools**

*Create partnerships between the school and the community at large where all members of the community can come together to learn, to teach, and to share ideas.*

The ***Stony Brook and Eddy Elementary Advisory Councils*** worked to develop specific ways to implement these goals at each of the schools, as well as who would be responsible for accomplishing them from teachers and staff to parents and the community.

Those **School Improvement Plans** were presented and accepted by the Brewster School Committee at meetings earlier in the school year.

## **School Consolidation Update**

*The Consolidation Study showed:*

1. All of our students could not fit into one school without a growth in class sizes
2. An addition would have to be built to accommodate the increased number of students housed at Eddy
3. Repairs & upgrades would be required at Stony Brook to house all students

Due to our commitment to small class sizes that give every Brewster student the best chance to learn, the Brewster School Committee unanimously passed a motion on October 20, 2022 to table the consolidation idea until enrollment was reduced to allow room for all of our students in a current building.

## **School Consolidation Update**

***Here is the School Committee Motion as passed:***

Given that the current student population at the Brewster elementary schools cannot be accommodated in either the Stony Brook or the Eddy School,

I move that the issue of consolidation be tabled at this time.

I further move that consolidation be tabled until the enrollment of incoming classes has declined to the extent that fewer classrooms are required.

## Enrollment

### **Current Enrollment at Stony Brook Pre-Kindergarten—Grade 2:**

September 2023 = 229 Students

March 2024 = 230 Students

### **Current Enrollment at Eddy Grades 3—5:**

September 2023 = 207 Students

March 2024 = 206 Students

**Total Current Enrollment for Brewster Elementary Schools = 436 Students**

Due to the anticipated expansion of the Pre-Kindergarten enrollment,  
Stony Brook is adding a fourth Pre-K classroom for school year 2024/25.



## **Stony Brook**

*Built 1976, Addition 1989*

- The study conducted by Habeeb and Associates several years ago stated that we could fit all of the students into one building.
- Since then, the preschool program has expanded, with a fourth classroom planned for 2024/25.
- Special education services to students have also expanded.
- Both of these program expansions have required additional classroom spaces at Stony Brook. The YMCA Child Care rooms will now be used to meet these needs.

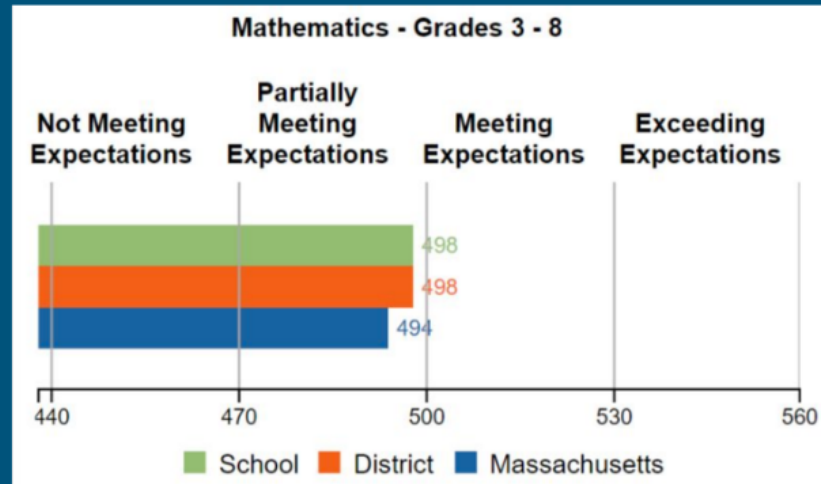
## **Eddy:**

***Built in 1996***

- Unable to physically fit the Stony Brook student population, staff & school personnel, and service providers.
- Extensive renovations would be needed to make the physical plant at Eddy absorb the Stony Brook population.
- Minimal FTE cost savings, as the vast majority of the FTE would need to remain intact, as they provide the education programming and services to our students, regardless of being in two buildings or one building.

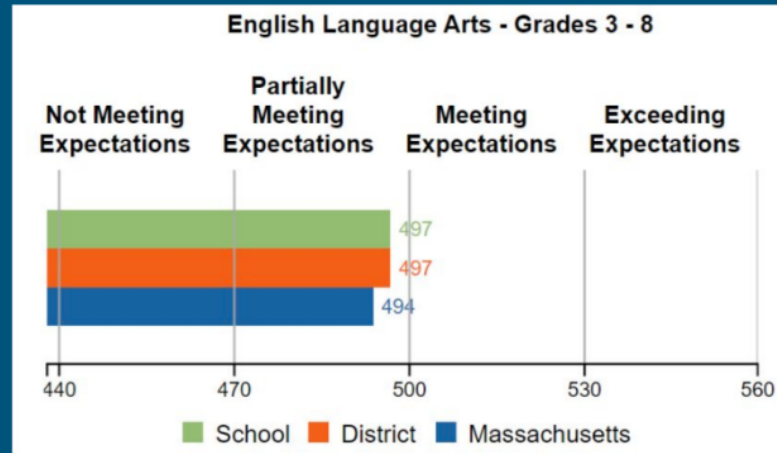
## MCAS Data 2022

### Eddy Achievement Math Grades 3-5



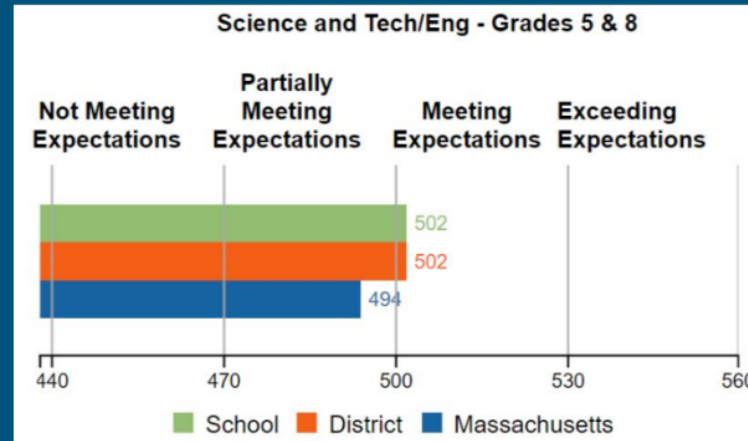
## MCAS Data 2022

### Eddy Achievement ELA Grades 3-5



## MCAS Data 2022

### Eddy Achievement Science Grade 5



## **School Use**

Both Stony Brook and Eddy Elementary Schools have full calendars each month for building usage. After school ends each day, numerous community groups and activities fill the gyms, cafeterias, and many classrooms for events and meetings.

**Here's just a sampling of how our two schools are fully used in a single month:**

### **Stony Brook, February 2024**

**YMCA**—The YMCA uses three rooms for its daily child care program

**Nauset Youth Alliance**—NYA hosts 65 students after school and uses

the cafeteria, gym, staff room, kitchen, and other areas for enrichment activities such as gymnastics, karate, cooking, science, etc.

**Basketball**—Each weekday brings evening basketball to the Stony

Brook gym, including Brewster Rec Basketball, Nauset Youth Basketball, and Latham Basketball

## School Use

### Eddy, February 2024

**Adult Education/Community Education**—Art, Language Learning, etc.

**Art Room Tech Time**

**Brewster Band**—Adult band that practices at Eddy

**Brewster Rec**—Brewster Rec hosted Community Ed programs on weekends from Adult Pickleball and youth clinics to Ping Pong, along with youth and adult basketball practice weekday evenings.

**Bayside Skippers**—Competitive jump roping

**Cape Cod Healthy Connections**

**Little League**

**Nauset Youth Alliance After School & Enrichment**

# **Brewster Schools = Community Schools**

## ***Our Community Partners Enhance Educational Opportunities for All Students***

Brewster PTO

Brewster Conservation Trust

Brewster Council on Aging

Brewster Natural Resources

Brewster Recreation

Brewster Recycling Committee



Cape Cod Five Foundation

Center for Coastal Studies

Mass Audubon

National Park Service

Nauset Youth Alliance



## **We Welcome Your Input at Our Monthly Meetings**



### ***Upcoming Brewster School Committee Meetings:***

***Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>***

***Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup>***

***Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>***

***6:30 p.m., Room A, Town Hall***